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Livingston

A few days ago a man came to our town and asked to see the board of trustees, when Mr. I. Catlin, clerk of the board, was pointed out to him. Later we learned his mission and it was that he wanted permission to put up a malt mead stand in our town. But we are pleased to know that the privilege was denied him. We have a nice quiet town at present and we hope to see it remain that way, and we will say to the board: Stand by your decision. We are satisfied that nine-tenths of the people of the town are against this drink. Citizens, just think back only a few years ago, what a condition this town was in at that time, and such stuff was sold then. We hope the dark days for Livingston are past. Boys, stand by your decision, we are all with you.

Miss Dortha Owens, of Springfield, was here Sunday en route home from Berea where she has been attending school. We are having the coldest weather of the season being below zero for the first time in a few years. This reminds us of a little anecdote told on Champ Mullins a few years ago when thermometers first came around. Champ had been to Mt. Vernon and had come back home and some one asked him how cold it was at Mt. Vernon. He answered that he went in at Milt Millers and the thermometer was three big inches below zero. C. L. Black is moving his family to property on High street. Miss Nettie Rice has been confined to her room for the past week with grip, but at present she is much better. Our town was shocked Tuesday night by two robberies. J. H. Browning was called from his room and two men drew a pistol on him and demanded his money. The pay car had just paid off the employees and it is supposed the men thought they would get Mr. Browning's month salary. The same men held up a brakeman near the river bridge and robbed him of \$1.50. Later George Mullins and Fred Elkins were arrested and taken to Mt. Vernon. E. B. Owens is learning the night yard work at Livingston. — I. W. Catlin, J. H. Browning, Hubert Nicely, Judge Summers and

Marshal Riggs went to Mt. Vernon Wednesday. — Mrs. Thomas Jones and two children have been very sick for the past week. — George Griffin, Jr. has been very sick for some time and is some better. — Prof. Wilson was called to Lebanon on account of the death of some of his relatives. — E. C. Herd received a message from Hamilton Ohio, stating that his father, B. Herd, was dead. He was buried in Hamilton, Ohio. — Wonder what has become of our friend, James Maret, the Boone Way booster. Would be glad to see a few lines from that famous writer. — Mrs. David Smith, who has been very sick for some time, continues about the same.

I. M. Turpin, of Langford Station, who has been confined to his room for some time with rheumatism, passed here Sunday en route to French Lick Springs in Indiana. — There will be a Fifth Sunday meeting at the Baptist church and a large crowd is expected. — Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker, of Mt. Vernon, are with Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Ponder. — El Hansel claims that he has green cabbage growing in his garden. We have not seen the cabbage ourselves but we have El's word for it and that is O. K. — Mrs. F. M. Marshbanks and little daughter, were in Mt. Vernon Saturday. — Rev. Jones, of London, filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church, Saturday and Sunday. — Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cottengim were called to Pine Hill, Monday, on account of the illness of Mr. Cottengim's sister. — J. B. Hayse, who has been very sick is slowly improving. — Ben Griffin, who has had a spell of the grip is able to be at his post again. — W. R. Ward has had a few days' tussle with grip but is able to work again. — Little George Griffin has been confined to his room with pneumonia for several days, but now is convalescent. — Mrs. Hugh Jenkins, who has been very sick for some time continues very low. — Mrs. Daniel Ponder, who has been very sick for some time is rapidly improving. — We are just recovering from a severe siege of cold, called in English grip, but what puzzles us is whether we have had grip, or grip has had us. — Miss Jalett Griffin, who has been suffering with a broken arm has almost recovered. — W. J. Sparks, of Mt. Vernon, was here between trains, Tuesday. — Willie, Miss Marie and

Leslie Rambro all have been confined to their rooms for a few days with grip. — Jack Carpenter, after a hard struggle with grip is some better. — Mrs. A. E. Albright and Mrs. J. W. Tate, of Brodhead, were here between trains Thursday en route home from Langford, Ky.

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Brodhead

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Citizens bank, this city, an eight per cent. dividend was declared, six hundred dollars was placed to surplus, one hundred dollars to undivided profits and the furniture and fixture account reduced considerably. It will be remembered that this institution under a former management lost some money, after one year of strenuous effort it was found that sure success was just ahead, and the past year was the banner year of the bank's life when it made thirteen per cent on its capital. Cashier Hiatt is to be congratulated upon the business manner in which he conducted banking, and the great success he has brought to this institution. — Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roberts of Rileys, were the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Owens. — In our letter last week we stated that there was a seventy-four pound pumpkin on display at the Citizens bank that was raised by Uncle Marshall Smith, the printer reversed our figures making it read forty-seven

Personally a mistake of this character makes no difference, but to the man that raises pumpkins that weigh seventy-four pounds and upward, it is doing him a great injustice to reverse figures. Then again we said that Miss Elizabeth Gentry was teaching school for her "sister," and the printer looked at a passing circus, and made our letter read "brother" instead. Born to the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Chandler a fine baby boy last Friday. — Mrs. L. M. Browne, of Louisville, is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Frith. — Mrs. J. W. Tate and Mrs. A. E. Albright were with their brother, Bob Turpin, at Langford last week. Mr. Turpin has a severe attack of rheumatism. He accompanied his sisters home Sunday, and on Monday left for French Lick Springs, Ind., where he hopes to be benefited. — George W. Frith died at his home near here Tuesday morning, and his remains were laid to rest in the Oak Hill Cemetery Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Frith had been in a serious condition for several months, and his death was no surprise to those who knew of his condition. Besides his widow he is survived by seven small children. — James Pike left Sunday for Detroit, Mich., where he has a position. His brother, J. Pen Pike resides in this northern city, and is making good with the Detroit Street Railway Company. — Mrs. Susie Tharp and family now live in Cincinnati, having moved there about three weeks ago. — C. H. Frith is all smiles again, it's a girl. — About three weeks ago our good friend Julian Borden was tried and convicted in the Rockcastle Circuit Court on the charge of pistol toting, the sentence being \$50.00 fine, ten days confinement in the county jail, and carried with it a disfranchisement of two years. Mr. Borden, thru his attorney, filed motion for a new trial, and the day was set for the argument of the case, and while waiting for the day to arrive he boarded the train for Frankfort, where he interceded with Gov. Stanley, secured a full pardon for the imprisonment and the trimmings, returned home feeling considerably better because of the fact that he did not have to board with James Winstead ten days and that he would cast his vote hereafter as usual. Uncle Dave Hurt is very sick with grip. The doctors also report a number of other grip victims.

Graded School Items.

The following students attained the honor roll for the first term of the school year, and were therefore exempt from the midyear examinations:

HIGH SCHOOL: Mary Langford, Ella Mae McKenzie, Ruth Landrum, Sydney Crawford, Verna Welch, Will Thompson, Onie Silvers and Maggie Livesay.

EIGHTH GRADE—Ida Hamlin, star roll; Maggie Jones.

SEVENTH GRADE—Rosa Gentry.

SIXTH GRADE—Edna Davis, Bertha DeBord and Nora Orton.

FIFTH GRADE—Lillian Griffin, star roll.

FOURTH GRADE—Karl Davis.

FIRST GRADE—Steven Proctor, Miss Coulson, the Kindergarten teacher of Langdon School, was a pleasant visitor in the Primary room on Thursday of last week.

FOR RHUMATISM

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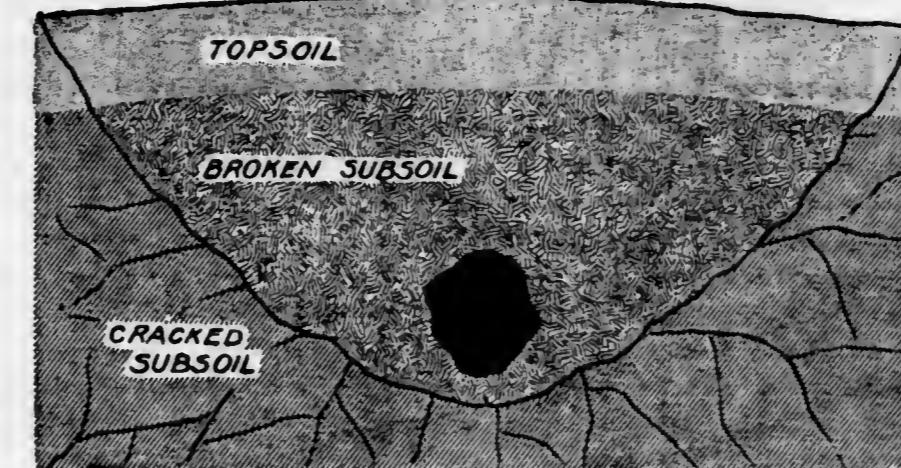
Blasting Ground For Tree Planting

Much has been written on how to plant a tree or trees, but if the experiences of scores of famous orchardists have any weight on the topic, then the practice of using dynamite preliminary to planting young trees has fully proved its merits.

The writer has personally seen specific examples of the value and excellence of tree planting with dynamite on a private orchard in Delaware, the

Blasting for tree planting is best done in the fall, because at this time of the year it is easier to catch the subsoil in dry condition. Blasting in the spring for spring planting, however, is much better than planting in dug holes, notwithstanding the fact that the subsoil is apt to be wet or damp.

If the holes are blasted in advance of the time of setting the trees they are left without further attention until



THE BLAST THOROUGHLY CRACKS THE SOIL, BUT USUALLY LEAVES A CAVITY OR POTHOLE AT THE BOTTOM—THIS MUST BE FILLED.

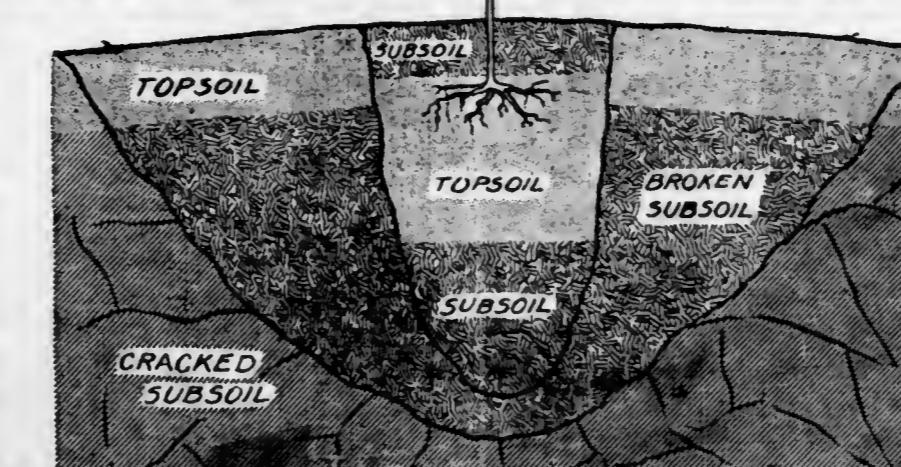
difference in growth between the undynamited tree and the tree planted in blasted ground being so unmistakably in favor of the latter that no adequate comparison could be made.

Furthermore, there are so many sane and logical reasons for this method of tree planting that even the most skeptical could not fail to be convinced.

Obviously when a tree has to use a large part of its energies in forcing its roots through the hard soil it cannot be expected to make the same rapid growth and come into such

tree planting time, unless it is desirable to add some manure or fertilizer to be diffused through the soil. This is an excellent practice, especially in poor soil. If the earth is sour, sticky clay a few pounds of lime scattered in the hole will materially assist in neutralizing the clay and keeping it permanently granulated and sweet.

Immediately after the blast the soft, blasted ground should be dug out down to the location of the charge, where a hole will usually be found about the size of a bushel basket. This



THE ROOTS ARE FIRMLY EMBEDDED IN RICH TOPSOIL, SURROUNDED BY MELLOW, WELL DRAINED SUBSOIL.

early bearing as a tree would that had the ground in which it was planted thoroughly prepared by dynamiting beforehand.

No tree should be planted over hard or impacted subsoil without first resorting to blasting, so that the soil may be made open and porous. Such blasting not only creates channels increasing absorption of soil moisture and permits deeper rooting, but it also induces better growth and larger and better yields.

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Explosives In Road Building

One of the newer methods of road building that is fast winning the endorsement of the better versed contractor is that of employing dynamite for reducing the heavy work.

Grading through hard ground or rock, for instance, is tedious and requires time and labor. The use of dynamite for blasting such material is a welcome relief. Both rock and hard clay may be loosened in the cut by well placed charges of explosives if holes are drilled into the ground a little way up the bank and loaded. Careful spacing and loading for electrically fired blasts will result in bringing down both classes of materials in the best possible manner.



In loosening shale and rock to facilitate hand or steam shovel work dynamite is also very effective, while stumps may be blasted from the roadside just as though they were being removed from a field to be cleared and cultivated.

Boulders also are easily shattered by suitable loading and when of hard rock may be crushed into surface stone. The side ditches as well as the long outfall ditches can also be blasted in keeping with the nature of the ground. In fact, there are no limits practically to the many uses and advantages of dynamite for road building when careful and thoughtful attention is given to the work.

Incidentally the planting of shade trees for roadside improvement and attractiveness is greatly facilitated by the judicious use of a little dynamite. It is a recognized fact that trees planted in blasted holes grow much more rapidly and progress more favorably than those planted in the average spade dug ground.

Straightening Streams With Dynamite

The ancient Egyptians were noted for their crops because, as history states, they "sowed their seeds in the Nile." This does not mean that they actually cast the seed in the river. At certain seasons of the year the Nile overflows its banks, depositing on either shore a rich silt or earth that is highly conducive to bumper crops, and the wise ancient Egyptians, realizing this, profited thereby.

Water is a necessity. The tiniest brook up to the largest rivers play an important part in the scheme of things inasmuch as they are nature's way of

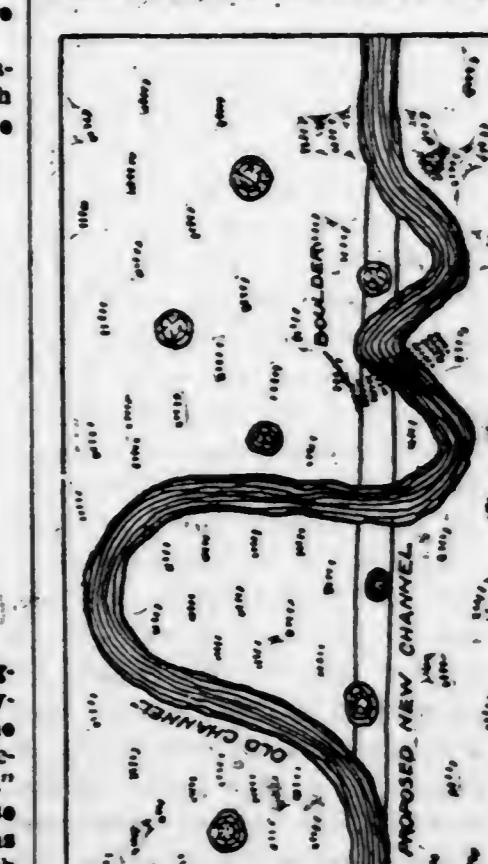


Diagram of Stream Troubles That May Be Corrected by Blasting.

both irrigation and drainage. But being formed according to nature's dictates their courses do not always jibe with man's desires or needs.

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THE good people of Covington and Newport are endeavoring to get through some needed legislation at Frankfort, looking toward closing the saloons on Sunday in these two cities. The rum-dums of Cincinnati flood both of these two Kentucky cities on Sunday, to the disgrace and disgust of decent people. The law-abiding citizens of the State heartily wish that the present Legislature will give these splendid people the relief they seek.

TAX bill introduced in the Legislature for the benefit of Col. John R. Allen, the busy, money-making lawyer of Lexington, who is also Commonwealth's Attorney to create the office of Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney, in counties of the state having second class cities therein, of which Lexington is one, should be promptly defeated. We hope to see Mr. Bullock, as well as our Senator, leading the fight against it.

The "Gag Rule" passed in the House of Representatives for the bringing out of bills from the Committee is no credit to the intelligence and fairness of that body of law-makers.

CRANLEY is proving himself a real Governor. Every step taken by him so far has been both wise and expedient.

KENTUCKY'S EARLIEST EXPLORERS AND HUNTERS.

The following items of early Kentucky history is furnished by Jim Mare, President of Boone Way, Mt. Vernon, Ky., who will shortly publish a history of Daniel Boone, and of Trails and Highways, etc.

In 1750 a small party of Virginians, from Orange and Culpeper counties, Dr. Thomas Walker, Ambrose Powell and Colby Chew, among them, entered what is now the State of Kentucky at Cumberland Gap, being the first white men known to have visited interior or Eastern Kentucky. Isaac Shelby, the first Governor of the State, stated that in 1770 he was on Yellow Creek, a mile or two from Cumberland mountain, in company with Dr. Walker and others, when Walker told him of having been upon that spot twenty years before, and "yonder beech tree bears the record of it; Ambrose Powell markt his name and the year upon it, you will find it there now." Col. Shelby examined the tree, and found upon it in large, legible characters, A Powell-1750. The party traveled down Holston River, crossed over the mountains into Powell's Valley, thence thru Cumberland Gap, and along the route afterwards celebrated as the Wilderness Road, until they arrived at the Hazel Patch, now Laurel county. Here the company divided. Dr. Walker and his party turned northward, to the Kentucky river, which he called Louisa river, followed it down some distance without finding much level land, he became disappointed and turned up one of its branches to its head and crossed over the mountains to New River in Virginia to a place now called Walker's Meadow.

It is said that Walker was making for the Ohio river, but bore far to the East. The party then returned to their homes. Dr. Walker later surveyed out the border line between Tennessee and Kentucky. Tennessee was first called the District of Washington.

OTHER EXPLORERS AND HUNTERS

In 1761, a company of 19 men, among them Wallen, Skaggs,

Newman, Blevins and Cox, part of them from Pennsylvania, the others from Virginia, went thru the Moccasin Gap in Clinch mountain, established a station on Wallin's creek, now Lee county, Virginia, and hunted there for eighteen months. They named Powell's mountain, Powell's river and Powell's valley, from seeing the name of Ambrose Powell inscribed on a tree near the mouth of Wallen's creek, on Powell river. They gave names to Clinch river, Copper ridge, Newmans, Wallen's and Skaggs ridges. There is a Skaggs trace and Skaggs creek in Rockcastle county. They pass thru Cumberland Gap. How far they penetrated into Kentucky on this trip is not known.

EXPEDITION OF 1763.

The same company of hunters in the Fall of 1763 again passed thru Cumberland Gap and spent the season in hunting on the Cumberland river. The next year, 1764, was made on Rockcastle river, not far from the Crab Orchard. (The town of Crab Orchard took its name from the innumerable thickets or orchards of crab apple trees, which when in bloom the perfume therefrom could be smelled miles away.) These hunters visited these parts a number of times thereafter.

In June 1766 a party of five persons passed thru Cumberland Gap. These men were Capt. James Smith (afterwards until his death about 1814, a prominent citizen of Bourbon county, Kentucky) Joshua Horton, Uriah Stone, Wm. Baker and a mulatto slave about 18 years old. They "found no vestige of any white man." The South branch of the Cumberland river which empties into it eight or ten miles above Nashville, they named Stone river, after one of their number.

PARTY FROM SOUTH CAROLINA

In 1767, a party from South Carolina, Isaac Lindsey and four others, came thru Cumberland Gap, to what Lindsey called Rockcastle river, from a romantic looking rock thru the fissures of which the water dripped and froze in rows below. They went down the river as far as the mouth of Stone river, where they found Michael Stone, who had come hither with James Harrod, from Illinois to hunt. Later, 1774, Harrod founded Harrodstown or Harrodsburg. Stone settled in Bourbon county and Stone creek took its name from him.

JOHN FINDLAY 1767

In 1767 John Findlay made an expedition into Kentucky for the purpose of hunting and trading with the Indians. From Cumberland Gap the warriors path "leading from the Cumberland ford, along the broken country on the eastern branch of the Kentucky river, and so across the Licking river, toward the mouth of the Scioto." Two years later 1769, Findlay conducted Daniel Boone, John Stewart and three others, from their homes on the Yadkin river in North Carolina to a spot "on Red river, the northernmost branch of the Kentucky river, where John Findlay had formerly been trading with the Indians where on June 7th, 1769, from the top of an eminence they saw with pleasure the beautiful level of Kentucky." This point is located about 30 miles East of Richmond

BOONE CAPTURED BY INDIANS

While out hunting, one day, Boone and Stewart were made prisoners. After several days they made their escape and upon returning to their camp found it plundered and their comrades "dispersed or gone home." Findlay made his way back to the settlements. Stewart was shortly afterward killed by Indians; but not until Squire Boone and another adventurer had found their way from North Carolina to his brother's camp in the cane land. The tragic death of Stewart frightened the new comer, and he "returned home by himself." The brothers were thus left alone in the wilderness. On the first of May 1770 Squire Boone "returned home for a new recruit of horses and ammunition, leaving Daniel alone without bread, salt or sugar, or even a horse or dog. While thus alone, in May 1770 he wandered to the hills that skirted the Ohio river, and for the first time in life looked down upon that majestic stream. Squire returned July 27th with horses and ammunition; and the brothers, "monarchs of all they surveyed," hunted thru and explored the country until

March 1771, when they made their way back to their North Carolina homes. Daniel had been in Kentucky nearly three years.

LETTER FROM AUDITOR TO SHERIFF MULLINS

The following is a copy of a letter received from the Auditor which Sheriff Cam Mullins has had published that the tax-payers may know what the law is relative to the collection of taxes. The letter in full is as follows:

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 8, 1916.
Cam Mullins, Sheriff,
Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of a communication from the Attorney General's office, especially calling attention to Section 4143 and 4148 of the Kentucky Statutes relating to penalties on taxes uncollected by the Sheriff on the first day of December and all taxes not settled by the Sheriff with the State on the 31st day of December.

It is obligatory on this office to collect a 6 per cent. penalty on all taxes unsettled December 1, together with interest at the rate of six per centum on the taxes from the said date till paid.

This penalty and interest must be collected by the Sheriff from the taxpayer, and all penalties and interest must be reported to this office in each monthly report after same comes due.

Your attention is especially called to the Act of 1912 requiring the Sheriff to report on the first day of each month, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December, under oath to the Auditor the amount of all taxes collected by him and pay the same immediately into the State Treasury. "The Sheriff shall be required by the Auditor of Public Accounts to pay a penalty of six per centum on all

taxes collected and unpaid by him on the 31st day of December in each year. The Auditor of Public Accounts, in his settlement with the Sheriff or collector, shall charge him with the penalties accruing under the provisions of this Act."

ROBT. L. GREENE, Auditor.

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"Stumping" with dynamite is both an economical quick-and-later saving method, as well as one that is growing in popularity daily. The method involved in the blasting of a stump is to stomp a quantity of explosive in such a manner that when exploded the expanding gases will lift

the stump out of the ground. To secure best results the charge should be placed in the soil well under the base of the stump at the point where the resistance offered to the force of the explosion will be equal on all sides.

Where the soil is of a heavy clay or plastic nature a slow-acting powder is preferable, such as farm powder or stumping powder. Where the earth is sandy or loose and is apt to permit the easy escape of gases a fast explosive, such as 40 to 60 per cent dynamite should be used. The condition of the soil with respect to moisture also has a great influence upon the amount of work that a certain quantity of explosive will do. After heavy rains, when the soil is saturated to the base of the stump and the soil is not damp it is most favorable condition.

New tools and supplies are required. One and one-half bushel wood, paper with a shank about four and one-half feet long, a medium-sized crooked a rustic pointed shovel and a wooden stumping stick, together with the powder necessary to blast a certain

kind or size of stump can be given, since different conditions govern all cases. Two stumps of the same size, kind and age of cut; when one is grown on well-drained soil where the roots must penetrate a great depth for water and the other is grown on soil where there is always water near the surface, will demand different treatment for extraction. The older stumps, especially if from timber free from resin, require less powder. The exact amount necessary for set conditions can, however, be readily determined with a little experimenting.

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PERSONAL

Dr. M. Pennington is in Louisville today.

Mrs. Fred Krueger has typhoid and is very sick.

Mrs. U. G. Baker was reported very sick yesterday.

Mrs. John Clontz has been down sick for seven weeks.

Mrs. Gardner has been very sick for the past week.

Will Baker has moved into A. B. Furman's residence.

Little Lucile Albright has been very sick during the week.

Mrs. W. M. Poynter, who has been sick since Christmas, is some better.

Mrs. S. H. Martin has returned from Virginia and is very much improved.

Master William Sparks is slowly recovering from a severe case of scarlet fever.

W. H. Jones, the Wildie merchant, is confined to his room with a very severe case of the grip.

Mrs. Cox, son, Claus and daughter, Miss Grace, have been very sick for the past week with grip.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Reinke, which has been very sick for several days is better.

Roy Britton and family, who have been located at Bond for a few months have returned to Mt. Vernon.

Otto Reynolds, who has had a severe case of pneumonia, is rapidly improving and will soon be able to be out.

Miss Ethyle Davis came in home from Poplar Grove last Sunday very sick. Her sister, Miss Emma, is teaching this week in her place.

LOCAL

Luther Manus will move his restaurant from the Krueger building to the Fish building.

Read our special offer for papers on second page. Here you get all the reading you will want, except it is a daily paper, and it is almost at the price of one. Now is the time to send in your order.

The damage suit of Will Cummins vs. W. J. Sparks Co., went out of court on peremptory instructions. While working in the W. J. Sparks Co. quarry, the plaintiff was caught between two rock cars and received a broken leg. Judge Thurner, of Springfield, was the special judge sent to try the case.

Mrs. W. M. McHargue died at her home near Pine Hill Sunday night of pneumonia and a complication of other troubles. The deceased was a Miss Chesnut, sister to Dr. Lee and Wilbur Chesnut, before her marriage. Besides her husband she leaves six children and to this family we extend our sympathy. The burial took place Monday at the family burying ground near Pine Hill.

George Mullins and Fred Elkins, charged with holding up and robbing J. H. Browning and a brakeman by the name of Newland, were brought here Wednesday night and tried before Judge Ballard who held Mullins over under a \$500 and Elkins a \$500 bond which they failed to give. Since both parties are out on paroles from the pen, the authorities will notify the Prison Commissioners and if returned to the pen to serve out their full time, Mullins for murder and Elkins for grand larceny, the charge now against them will be held for trial when they have completed their full time. At the best it means several more years in the pen for both of the boys.

If you attend the show at Boone Way next Tuesday night, you are contributing to the fund of the free public library.

The proceeds from next Tuesday night's show at the Boone Way Opera House goes for the benefit of the library. Go and help out a worthy cause.

It was George T. Johnson who bought the fine pigs at Stanford and shipped them to Mt. Vernon in the name of Geo. Lewis. The express man got the name wrong and wrote it Lewis instead of Johnson.

RECORD BREAKING HOG: Maj. S. S. Morrow killed a hog of his own raising yesterday, which tipped the beam at 954 pounds. This is the largest hog we have heard of ever having been killed in this section of the State.—Somerset Journal.

The R. M. K. Flour Co. was given judgement for \$8,000 against the insurance companies which carried policies for \$10,000 on building and stock which was destroyed by fire at Livingston in 1914. The case will not be appealed.

The night office of the L. & N., which has been closed for the past six or eight months, was re-opened yesterday. Agent J. A. Landrum, assisted by S. B. McKenzie, will work first trick, Clarence Ferguson, second and J. J. Lawrence, third. Assistant Agent McKenzie, will be on duty from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

U. G. Baker & Son is the style of Mt. Vernon's new wholesale grocery firm which began business only last week. We have long since thought that Mt. Vernon should have such a business and we know of no man in the county better suited to handle such a business than the senior member of this firm, Mr. U. G. Baker, who is one of the county's best and most successful business men.

Joe Bowling, of Boones Hollow, was in town Wednesday getting medicine for his triplets, all three suffering from bronchial pneumonia and one about as sick as the other. Joe says for three weeks, it has kept all the family and most of the neighbors busy day and night looking after the youngsters. When one cries, all three cry which necessitates about three nurses instead of one. They are getting better.

APPOINTMENTS.

Teachers or persons preparing to teach may get appointments from the County Superintendent's office to the Eastern State Normal at Richmond which will entitle them to attend a most excellent school free. I am anxious to have you come in and talk it over with me. Let's plan to go to school this winter and spring.

Yours for better schools.

MRS. W. A. B. DAVIS,
County Supt.

TEACHER'S CERTIFICATE

Your schools are closing. You are getting ready for the teacher's examination in May. You want to make a certificate and teach. Some of you are teaching and want to make a better certificate. You would like to go to school near home. All the above you can do. The Mt. Vernon Graded High School offers you this opportunity. We have at present eight who are taking our course to teach this fall. Twenty-three teachers prepared themselves here last year. Join us and get ready for that certificate.

Write, or see C. C. Davis, Mt. Vernon, Ky.
MT. VERNON SCHOOL BOARD.

COMMON SCHOOL DIPLOMA EXAMINATION

The January diploma examinations for Common School Diplomas will be held at Mt. Vernon and Brodhead next Friday and Saturday, the 28th and 29th. This is the time for the rural pupils to take the examinations. Your school is now closing and this diploma will entitle you to attend school the rest of the year and future years at Mt. Vernon, Brodhead and Livingston.

Teachers, I am sure that you are going to see that your pupils take this examination. It is your interest to send as many as possible. Write me of all the office for further information.

Yours for Education,
MRS. W. A. B. DAVIS,
County Supt.

SERVICES AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, FOR SUNDAY.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching service 11:00 a.m.
Subject: "The Unknown and the Known God."

Meeting of the Official Board 3 p.m.

Christian Endeavor 6:30 p.m., led by "Loyal Sons."

Preaching service 7:30 p.m., "The Epesian Silversmith's Plea."

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The much talked of Public Library is now a reality and for the present, will be open to the public, every Saturday from 2 to 5 o'clock p.m.

On application books may be taken out for a period of two weeks free of charge, and if at the expiration of this time, one desires the book longer, by notifying the Librarian the time will be extended. But if no notice is given a fee of one cent will be charged for each day over the two weeks the books are kept. Applicants will be held responsible for the return of the books.

The school boys and girls are especially invited to take advantage of this opportunity. Of course there will be the expense of fuel and some other incidentals to be borne by the committee in charge of the library.

So on one Tuesday evening out of the month, Mr. Owens, the generous hearted proprietor, has offered to share the profits of the picture show, with the library committee. Thus by patronizing the Picture Show next Tuesday night you will give support to "Your Library."

A SCHOOL OF METHODS AT MT. VERNON.

Mr. Roy K. Roadruck—one of the State Sunday School workers for the schools of the Christian churches in Kentucky—was in Mt. Vernon Monday night, to confer with some of our local workers about plans for a school of methods to be held here in the spring.

Our Eleventh Sunday School District is a part of the Eleventh Congressional District and comprises the following counties: Rockcastle, Laurel, Knox, Bell, Whitley and Harlan. In 1914, a School of Methods was held at London. And the one to be held here from May 29th to June 2nd will be for the Eleventh District.

Our school invited the School of Methods for this year, and we are very fortunate in securing it, as other schools in the district were anxious for it. The school entertaining the School of Methods has the advantage of being able to have all of its workers present, and where such schools have been held, the local school has had a permanent growth.

This will be a real school. The State Sunday School Association will furnish a faculty of three or four members. There will be a schedule of time and subjects, consisting of six or seven periods, each day, in which as many subjects will be presented, in lecture form. Each instructor will present that phase of the work on which he has specialized.

An invitation will be extended to all of our local Sunday School teachers and workers, regardless of church affiliations, to be in all of these sessions. And every teacher, Sunday School or otherwise, who is earnestly striving to cause some one to know or to want to know, feels the need of the best methods that the age has.

This school, though not as large as some, will present some of the very best methods that the Sunday schools world has developed to date.

H. T. YOUNG.

Langdon News

The Woman's Club met at the Langdon School last Friday. The meeting was very interesting in spite of the small attendance. Mrs. John Brown, Mrs. W. J. Sparks and Mrs. Edgar Albright read papers on French art.

The Young Men's Class of the Presbyterian Sunday School, is entertaining this evening with a party at the school.

The starting of dressmaking has inspired a great deal of interest in the sewing classes.

Flossie Mullins and Bertie Shelton were both called home this week on account of sickness in their families.

Yours for Education,
MRS. W. A. B. DAVIS,
County Supt.

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The people on both sides want the bond issue case tried this court, and they are expecting a submission of the case let it go as it may.

NOTICE:—All parties holding claims against the estate of Rosa Payne, deceased, will present same to me on or before February 1st, 1916, properly proven. Those indebted to the estate will please arrange settlement of same.

DOCK LANGFORD, Adm'r.

Jan. 14, 1916

WOMAN'S CLUB

The stockholders of The Bank of Mt. Vernon held their annual meeting Monday. The following officers were re-elected: Jonas McKenzie, Pres.; G. S. Griffin, Vice-Pres.; W. L. Richards, Cashier, and V. C. Tate, Assistant Cashier. The directors are Jonas McKenzie, G. S. Griffin, S. H. Martin, L. T. Stewart, E. S. Albright, W. L. Richards and C. C. Williams.

The year of 1915, as bad as it was proved a very successful one for The Bank of Mt. Vernon. A dividend of 7 per cent was paid stockholders and an amount equal to 6 per cent was left as undivided profits. The bank already has a surplus of \$6,500. Those connected with the institution are specially pleased with the splendid years showing.

Mr. James McCall and Mrs. Sarah Riddle were married Monday. The wedding was set for several days before both parties were sick, and the bride was in bed sick when the ceremony was performed. The groom had recovered from his illness and when he returned to Mt. Vernon Monday from his brother's where he had been sick, and found his intended in bed with no one in particular to wait upon her, he insisted that they marry at once, so that he could care for her. The license was secured and Judge Ballard called whistled the knot. This is one case where we heartily endorse the sick bed marriage, and we want to commend Mr. McCall for his nobleness of purpose as well as being anxious as he was to have the nuptial knot tied as early as possible. Mrs. McCall, who has been suffering with a severe case of the grip, is some better.

Mr. James McCall and Mrs. Sarah Riddle were married Monday. The wedding was set for several days before both parties were sick, and the bride was in bed sick when the ceremony was performed.

The regular meeting of the Art Department of the Woman's Club was held at Langdon School on Friday January fourteenth, Roll call was responded to by names of pictures of French artists. Very interesting papers were read by Mrs. W. J. Sparks, Mrs. J. W. Brown and Mrs. E. S. Albright on Corot, Rosa Bonheur and Millet, respectively. After the reading of the papers, the masterpieces of the above named artists were presented by means of the radiotopic, and were most interestingly interpreted by Miss Stewart. Very few of the members were able to attend, but every one present enjoyed the excellent program.

The next meeting of the Club, Friday January twenty-eighth at 3 o'clock, will be in charge of the civics committee of which Mrs. Cleo W. Brown is chairman. Mrs. R. A. Sparks and Mrs. Beurum will be the speakers.

WOMAN'S MEETING

Woman's Meeting of the Rockcastle and Laurel River Associations to be held in the school building at Livingston, Ky., Jan. 29th, 1:30 p.m.

PROGRAMME

Song Devotional Mrs. Nellie Rice.

Song Welcome Address, Mrs. Fannie Oliver.

Response, Mrs. Edgar Albright.

The Woman's Hymn.

"What the Woman's Work Means to the Cause of Christ."

Mrs. Laura Baugh.

"Why a Woman's Organization in Every Church."

Mrs. I. I. Hughes.

"Children's Home," Mrs. Frank Maris.

President's Hour—Each President to tell something of the Work of their own Society—Advantages and Disadvantages, Open discussion.

Song and Prayer, Mrs. J. E. Woodall, Pres.

NOTICE

SALE FOR TAXES. I, or some one authorized by me, will offer for sale at the front door of the Court House in Mt. Vernon, Ky., at the hour of ten o'clock a.m. on January 24th 1916, the following tracts of land graded in the Livingston School district, to satisfy the taxes.

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